

House Resolution No. 204

Whereas, it is with utmost respect that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their daily legislative endeavors in order to recognize those Show-Me State residents who truly embody the concept of "Outstanding Missourian" through their deeds and achievements; and

Whereas, Willis Case of Marshfield has attained considerable distinction as an auctioneer whose sixty-three years in business and ninety-four years on this earth undoubtedly make him the oldest, most experienced auctioneer in the state of Missouri; and

Whereas, on Wednesday, February 11, 2004, Willis Case will meet with state legislators in the Missouri House of Representatives to receive well-deserved honors and accolades for the exemplary role he has performed in Missouri as a community leader; and

Whereas, in addition to his stellar record of achievement as an auctioneer, Willis Case has developed and maintained an exemplary reputation for his service with the Lions Club, Webco Nursing Home Board, and the Marshfield R-I School District Board; and

Whereas, previously selected as the Marshfieldian of the Year, Willis Case has received much respect and admiration from his extraordinarily large circle of friends and acquaintances; and

Whereas, Willis Case was married to the former Ruby E. Hoover for seventy-two years in a loving relationship which ended only with her death on July 5, 2003; and

Whereas, the union of Willis and Ruby Case was blessed with the presence of four children, daughters Paula S. Greer and Linda Curwood and sons J. Mac Case and Hoover Case; and

Whereas, Willis Case celebrated his ninety-fourth birthday on November 8, 2003, in the company of family members, friends, and neighbors who wished for him many more happy events to come in life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the significant contributions made by Willis Case as a longstanding resident of Webster County and to extend to him this legislative body's most heartfelt welcome to the state capitol on February 11, 2004, for special recognition as a guest in the House Chamber; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of "Outstanding Missourian" Willis Case of Marshfield, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Michael L. Cunningham
District No. 145

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 204, adopted January 26, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker